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Leaders with Gruber in Innsbruck

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25X1X 1. On 17 to 19 May 1947, Foreign Minister Gruber held a secret meeting at Innebruck with officials of the office for South Tyrol Baron Kripp, Hofrat Dr. Kneussl, Dr. Kness, and South Tyrol political leaders Erich Ammon, Dr. Friedl Volgger, and Dr. Tinzl, in order to determine the next steps to be taken with regard to the South Tyrol, in view of the failure of the Moscow Conference. Gruber agreed:

- a. to send a second note to Rome immediately following the formation of a new Italian Government;
- b. to go to Rome in the near future in order to push the application of the Paris Agreement;
- c. to request American-British intervention at the opportune moment.
- d. to press for immediate settlement of the optants' question.
- 2. However, he persisted in upholding the earlier decision to postpone economic sattlement until after the signing of the Peace Treaty.

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